

The Liverpool John Moores University's Vice-Chancellor's YPC Scholarship Programme Overview & Application Procedure

We welcome applications from all current LJMU final year degree students of YPC and LJMU graduates of YPC who have completed their studies within the last two academic years. Those undergraduate degree students currently studying their final year are required to apply for a postgraduate degree and then complete their scholarship application forms prior to receiving their final award classification.

The closing date for the Scholarship Application is 25th May 2017.

To be considered for the scholarship students must:

- be a self-funded International student;
- be in possession of a (conditional or unconditional) offer to study a full-time Postgraduate taught masters at Liverpool John Moores University;
- have a valid LJMU Applicant ID number;
- not be holding a scholarship from any other source or scheme;
- have adequate financial provision to study in the UK (including covering their cost of travel to the UK, visas, daily cost of living and accommodation);

This scholarship is not available to distance-learning students and must be taken up in the year it is awarded– i.e. the award cannot be deferred.

YPC scholarship applicants can chose any LJMU postgraduate course, subject to eligibility.

Scholarship Application Procedure:

Applicants must follow a two stage course application process:

- Stage one – complete and submit LJMU's online postgraduate course application form via the University's website - www.ljmu.ac.uk/pgapplication (Applications for the YPC scholarship will not be accepted if the course application is received via a third party recruitment agent.)
- Stage two – once the applicant has accepted their postgraduate course offer from the University they can then complete the Scholarship Application requirements.

The completed Scholarship Application form is to be submitted to Ms Farrah Roberts - Email: farrah@kolejypc.edu.my or farrahkolejypc@gmail.com, the Head of Academic – UK Programmes at YPC

YPC graduates should also be aware that they can apply to the LJMU Roscoe International Scholarship and the Developing Global Citizens Postgraduate Scholarship, and more information is available here: www.ljmu.ac.uk/international

Furthermore, YPC graduates are also entitled to receive the LJMU alumni discount – although this award cannot be claimed if the student is in receipt of a tuition scholarship from the University.

This Award takes the form of a **20% fee reduction** for any new taught postgraduate masters-level programme or research degree programme undertaken at LJMU.

The 20% reduction will be applied to all years of the postgraduate programme being studied, not just the first year and applies to Home, EU and international LJMU graduates.

Fees will automatically be reduced for eligible students with no requirement to apply.

A student's eligibility will be assessed from information held by LJMU regarding prior study declared in their admission application. Students will receive a letter prior to the start of their studies advising them of the fee reduction.

Liverpool John Moores University Terms and Conditions

Number of awards

Scholarship	Number of allocated students	Details
LJMU Vice-Chancellor's YPC Scholarship'	2	A full fee tuition wavier per candidate entering any postgraduate taught programme at LJMU.*

*Subject to the students meeting the course conditions, and the terms and conditions of the scholarship. If the student enters a course where the tuition fee is below £12,000 there will be no financial rebate given to the student.

Selection criteria:

Candidates will be selected based on their academic merit using the information provided on the postgraduate course application form and on the information given from the three questions that follow.

- Why should you receive a scholarship from LJMU? Explain in no more than 350 words.
- What is the likely economic or social benefit to your home country for you doing a full-time programme of study at LJMU? Explain in no more than 350 words.
- Describe with examples where possible, any evidence of paid and / or voluntary work done OR alternatively how you will contribute towards campus life here at LJMU? Explain in no more than 350 words.

A candidate, to be eligible for the scholarship, also needs to achieve a 2:1 degree classification or higher.

This information will be assessed by the International Scholarship Panel after seeking academic advice. Normally, we would ask the School or Faculty within the University where the student has applied for their course of study to assess the scholarship application.

Eligible groups

The scholarship programme is only open to YPC undergraduate students in their final year of study who are about to complete their LJMU validated degree, and LJMU / YPC alumni who have graduated within the last two academic years.

Sponsorship duration

The scholarships are for one academic year only and apply to the September intake. The scholarship will cover the postgraduate tuition fee in full.

All undergraduate scholarships will be paid as a fee waiver and no money will be given to the successful applicants at any stage.

Method of application

There are two stages to the scholarship application process.

1. The applicant must apply online and receive an offer to study an LJMU postgraduate taught course of study. Once students have received their LJMU offer they can move to the second stage.

During stage 1 prospective Masters Students can seek guidance and support with regards to their learning choices from LJMU's Malaysian Office.

2. The second stage involves the applicant submitting an electronic word document, and this is their Scholarship Application form, which must contain the completed fields below in this order:

1. Full Name:
2. Date of Birth:
3. Nationality:
4. The name of the LJMU degree they are currently studying:
5. Their Student ID Number:
6. The name of the postgraduate degree they intend to study in the UK:
7. Why should you receive a scholarship from LJMU? Explain in no more than 350 words .
8. What is the likely economic or social benefit to your home country for you doing a full-time programme of study at LJMU? Explain in no more than 350 words .
9. Describe with examples where possible, any evidence of paid and / or voluntary work done OR alternatively how you will contribute towards campus life here at LJMU? Explain in no more than 350 words.

The Scholarship Application form is then submitted to Ms Farrah Roberts Email: farrah@kolejyjc.edu.my or farrahkolejyjc@gmail.com, the Head of Academic – UK Programmes at YPC. The information is then checked and verified by YPC before being submitted to LJMU. The contact people at LJMU will be Nicolas Pitt and Ms Jennifer Cahill (Email: j.c.cahill@ljmu.ac.uk).

Deadlines

The closing date for submitting the scholarship application to YPC will be the 25th May. This then needs to be submitted to LJMU before 7th June or prior to the YPC Awards Panel, whichever date is earlier. A decision on who will be awarded a scholarship will be made before July.

The Selection Process & Committee:

Stage 1:

Scholarship applications are submitted to YPC on or before the 25th May each year. The Scholarship Application forms are then checked and verified by YPC, before being submitted to LJMU. YPC will prepare a register on a spreadsheet listing all the scholarship applicant names, with their predicted grades and submit this with each application LJMU form attached to LJMU. This needs to be received by the University before 7th June or prior to the LJMU awards panel.

Stage 2:

The International Recruitment Team at LJMU will update the register once the degree classifications have been confirmed, and check that the applicants are in receipt of either a conditional or unconditional offer to study a postgraduate programme at LJMU.

Stage 3:

An International Scholarship Panel made up of academic assessors representing each of the University's Faculties will convene to select in preference order by Faculty those students worthy enough to be awarded an LJMU Scholarship.

The academics to review and score each of the following selection criteria out of ten possible marks (ten being the highest score):

1. Please tell us why you should receive a scholarship from LJMU. Please provide as much detail as you can about yourself, your ambitions for the future and what you hope to achieve while you are at LJMU?
2. What is the likely economic or social benefit to your home country for you doing a full-time programme of study at LJMU?
3. Describe with examples where possible, any evidence of paid or voluntary work experience that you have completed and/or how you plan to contribute to student life at LJMU?
4. Academic Score based on the PGT course application form and previous qualifications?

Stage 3 will be concluded once each Faculty have identified those students deserving a scholarship using the scoring system provided.

Stage 4:

The task of confirming the scholarship appointments shall be made by a Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee will have available to them the following information which will inform their selection:

- Academic transcripts and certificates
- The Information entered into the International Scholarship Application form covering their academic merit, the likely economic or social benefit to their home country and any evidence of paid and / or voluntary work done or alternatively how you will contribute towards Campus life here at LJMU
- Statements from referees.
- The student's postgraduate course application form
- A copy of their offer letter.

Students who hold a conditional offer will not have their scholarship confirmed until they meet their conditions, and this will be communicated to them.

The Selection Committee will make their decision on the election to a Scholarship, and this will be formally confirmed by the Pro-Vice Chancellor (PVC) for External Engagement or an elective representative outside the Directorate for Student Recruitment and Admissions.

Each Scholarship award will also have one student in reserve, and these students will be informed that they are being held in reserve. The list of scholarship recipients will be sent to Student Administration following a decision. All Scholarship applicants will be contacted regarding the outcome of their application.